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2 Washington Square Village
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Dear Sirs:

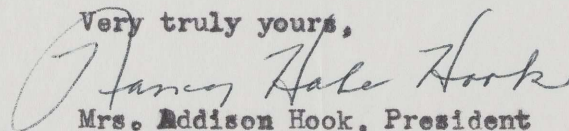
The Alliance of the Tennessee Valley Unitarian Church unanimously endorses Clara Barton for election to the Hall of Fame for Great Americans.

We feel the following significant contributions to our nation by Clara Barton should be a part of your consideration:

1. First woman clerk in the Washington D. C. Patent Office.
2. Superintendent of Nurses for the Army of the James in 1864.
3. Founder and head of Bureau to search for missing men at the close of the War Between the States. More than 12,000 graves were marked because of her.
4. Served as a nurse in the Franco-Prussian War where she studied the work of the International Committee of the Red Cross.
5. Established the American branch of the Red Cross and served as first president.
6. Represented the United States at the International Conference of the Red Cross in Geneva in 1884.
7. Headed relief work in Florida's yellow-fever epidemic; Johnstown flood; and Galveston flood.
8. Served as a nurse during the Spanish-American War.

In this International Decade of Women and our Bicentennial Year it is very fitting that Clara Barton's humanitarian contributions to this nation and to the world be recognized. We heartily endorse her election.

Very truly yours,



Mrs. Addison Hook, President
The Alliance, Tennessee Valley
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